

**Amendments to the Abstract:**

**Please replace the Abstract with the following amended Abstract:**

A coupling having a receiver (1), for receiving an insert (3) formed with a retaining ring (2), and a locking element (10) having two arms (11, 12) and a retaining portion (14). The locking element (10) fits into a receiving space (7) of the receiver (1) and is movable between a raised and a pushed-in position. A lifting bevel (16) is formed on the locking element (10) and cooperates with the retaining ring (2) of the insert (3) so that the locking element (10) can be moved from the pushed-in position to the raised position. The coupling also comprises a prelock assembly (30) and a pullback assembly (18, 19, 22, 23), which cooperate so that when the retaining ring (2) is moved in the insertion direction into position behind the lifting bevel (16), the prelock assembly (30) engages behind the retaining ring (2) and the pullback assembly (18, 19, 22, 23) shifts the locking element (10) into a prelocked position.